

REMEDIAL SITE ASSESSMENT DECISION EPA - REGION 5

SITE NAME: Gal Rite Metal EPA ID# 14D 00183 7517

ALIAS SITE NAME(S): _____

CITY: _____ COUNTY: _____ STATE: IL

REPORT DATED: 11/2000 REPORT TYPE: Memo

REPORT PREPARER: EPA - SF/RCRA SITE TYPE: _____ GAO ☒ IG

DISCUSSION/RATIONALE: "Lead Confirmed" - Site deferral to
RCRA is correct.
Special Initiative Flag entered.
See attached.

Report Reviewed/
Site Decision Made by: J. Huffman Date: 11/15/00

Region 5 Revision of EPA Form # 9100-3,11/00 - Special - IG Audit

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**RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND RECOVERY ACT
HANDLERS ASSESSMENT**

FOR:

**FAB-RITE METAL PRODUCTS
AND
KARR TOOL AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY
BENSENVILLE, ILLINOIS
ILD 001 837 517**

**PREPARED BY :
ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
BUREAU OF LAND
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SITE ASSESSMENT UNIT**

SEPTEMBER 2000

SITE BACKGROUND

Introduction

On June 29th, 1999 the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's (Illinois EPA) Site Assessment Program was tasked by the Region 5 offices of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S.EPA) to undertake an initial assessment of a number of Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) facilities within the State. These facilities are presently contained within the RCRA database, but are not subject to RCRA corrective action authorities and are currently referred to as RCRA "handlers". The RCRA Handlers Assessment is designed to identify facilities, which may pose a threat to human health or the environment, and to determine if placement of these facilities into Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Inventory System (CERCLIS) is warranted.

Site Description and History

On January 12, 1994 Fab-Rite Metal Products and Karr Tool & Manufacturing Company (collectively referred to as Fab-Rite) was placed on the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Inventory System (CERCLIS). In March 1994, Fab-Rite received a Preliminary Assessment/Visual Site Inspection (PA/VSI). The PA/VSI evaluated the Fab-Rite site for the potential to release hazardous substances from five solid waste management units (SWMU) and other areas of concern. Following the PA/VSI, Fab-Rite received a RCRA deferral status on CERCLIS.

In 1960 the Vickers Corporation began operations at the facility located at 350 North York Road in Bensenville, DuPage County, Illinois. Between 1960 and 1982, the

Sperry Corporation acquired the facility thus the company name became known as Sperry Vickers. Between 1982 and 1984, the facility was leased by Schoell, Incorporated and used for warehouse storage. In 1984 the facility was leased to Fab-Rite Metal Products. Since 1993, Fab-Rite has subleased a portion of the facility to Karr Tool & Manufacturing. Fab-Rite and Karr Tool currently occupy the facility.

During occupation by Sperry Vickers, operations conducted at the facility consisted of assembling and repairing hydraulic power packs. This process utilized metal fabricating, painting, paint stripping, and degreasing. All the processes carried out by Sperry Vickers were contained within the building.

Throughout their occupation, Fab-Rite and Karr Tool have used sheet metal to produce such products as panels, chaises, boxes, and other products. Throughout its operational history, the facility has managed hazardous waste in one Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU). Four additional SWMU's managed non-hazardous waste and were identified during the 1994 PA/VSI. There was no evidence of spills or releases from any of the SWMU's. It was the recommendation from the PA/VSI Report that all SWMU's located within the Fab-Rite facility has been managed property and do not need further assessment.

On September 13, 2000 Illinois EPA's Site Assessment Unit personnel visited the Fab-Rite facility. A vacant building to the north, open fields to the south and west, and York Road to the east surrounds the Fab-Rite facility. Fab-Rite and Karr Tool continue to operate at this location in the same manner described in the 1994 PA/VSI. Non-hazardous waste materials such as scrap metal are stored in roll off boxes located outside of the buildings. The remaining material is managed within the buildings.

Pathway Analysis

Illinois EPA file information indicates that the village of Bensenville receives drinking water from Lake Michigan. Lake Michigan is located approximately 14.5 miles to the east of Bensenville. Due to the fact that local drinking water is not obtained from area groundwater, the potential impact to the groundwater from this site is low.

The 1994 PA/VSI identified the nearest surface water route as a drainage ditch located approximately 100 feet east of the facility. Recent improvements to York Road have eliminated the drainage ditch thus eliminating this pathway. Although this route does not currently exist, there is no evidence that indicated that a release has occurred along this route.

Access to the facility is restricted by the presence of a chain-link fence. Areas within the facility, which store hazardous wastes, are contained within secured buildings. Since there is no evidence of release of hazardous substances from the facility the potential to impact surrounding areas is low.

Conclusions and Recommendations

Given the limited potential of contaminants from this site entering the environment through one of the established migration pathways, this reviewer recommends that this facility should continue to be regulated by the federal RCRA program, and not be entered in the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act's Information System database or the subject to any additional CERCLA investigative activities. This assessment has shown that any

environmental concerns at this facility are not of a magnitude that would warrant CERCLA Removal or Remedial attention.



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September 18, 2000

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Dear Ms. Griffin:

Please find enclosed a copy of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Handlers Assessment Report and site recommendation for the following sites slated for completion in our Fiscal 2000 Site Assessment cooperative agreement.

SITE NAME	COUNTY	CERCLA RECOMMENDATION
Amoco Oil Co Main Office 006272629	Madison	No
Chemisphere Storage 180014839	Cook	No
Chicago Care Incorp 043905504	Cook	Yes
Gateway Petroleum 092358548	St. Clair	Yes
Carlisle Syntec Incorp 980503304	Bond	Yes
Gardner-Denver Copper 000814772	Adams	Yes
Barker Chemical Co 180014722	Cook	No
Flint Ink Corp 006537245	Cook	No
Betz Dearborn Incorp 009722281	Cook	No
Federal Mogul 070686282	Cook	No
Fab-rite Metal Products 001837517	DuPage	No
Atwood Vacuum Machine 005163035	Winnebago	No
Commonwealth Edison 000806505	Will	No

We are pleased to provide you with the attached report. Should you have any questions or comments concerning this submission please feel free to contact me, or the authors of the specific report.

Sincerely,

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Superfund Site Assessment Data Management

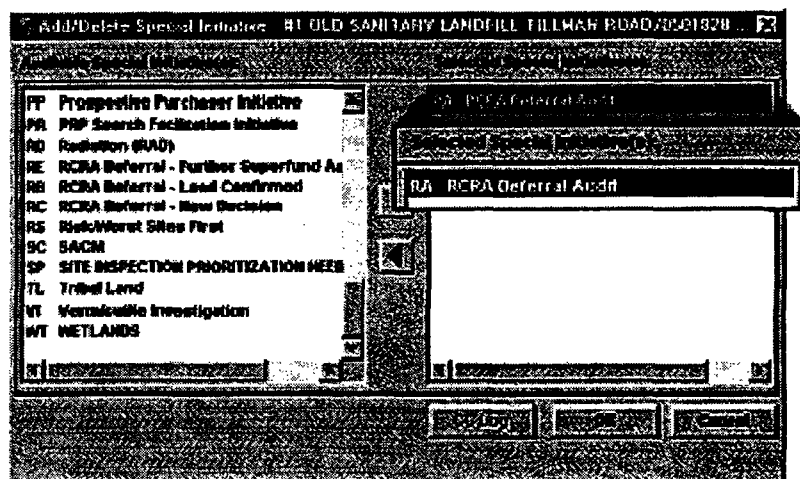
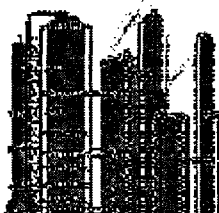
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Reporting RCRA Deferral Activities

July 2000

What are RCRA Deferral Sites?

A March 1999 report by EPA's Office of the Inspector General (OIG) identified 2,941 Superfund sites that have been deferred to the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) program. The OIG report determined that 842 sites are being appropriately addressed under RCRA, and 2,099 need further attention.



EPA has developed two measures to track and evaluate these 2,099 sites in WastELAN. First, EPA Headquarters will flag the sites using the existing "RCRA Deferral Audit" Special Initiative, and Regions will be able to enter one of the following three new Special Initiatives: RCRA Deferral—Lead Confirmed; RCRA Deferral—New Decision; or RCRA Deferral—Further Assessment. The second measure adds a new WastELAN action, "Site Reassessment", that will track reassessment activities at sites.

How Will Tracking RCRA Deferral Sites Benefit EPA?

Use of the one existing and three new Special Initiatives and the new WastELAN action, "Site Reassessment," will allow EPA to:

- Readily identify the OIG RCRA deferral sites and accurately report their current status;
- Effectively track reassessment activities, recording dates and fiscal year accomplishments; and
- Receive proper credit for reassessment work performed in the Regions.

Additionally, these new initiatives allow the Regions to track the status of RCRA deferral sites that were identified in the 2,099 sites needing further attention. The new "Site Reassessment" action does not replace current assessment actions; it serves as a supplement in instances when some assessment is needed to evaluate new information on a site, yet a full assessment action is not warranted under the Superfund program.

How Will Regional Staff Maintain RCRA Deferral Activities?

Regions will be responsible for entering the new WastELAN Special Initiatives. The new Regional Special Initiatives are:

- RCRA Deferral—Lead Confirmed: Indicates that the RCRA-Deferral decision was accurate; i.e., there is no change to the current RCRA deferral status.
- RCRA Deferral—New Decision: Indicates that EPA is correcting or changing the currently-listed decision from "Deferred to RCRA" to another indicator.
- RCRA Deferral—Further Superfund Assessment: Indicates that EPA needs to conduct further assessment to update the status. (This initiative should be used in conjunction with the new Site Reassessment action.)

Regions will also be responsible for recording Site Reassessment activities using the new WastELAN action.



Who Can I Contact for More Information?

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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 5

DATE: November 20, 2000

SUBJECT: Lead Confirmation for Sites Identified in the FY'1999 OIG Audit of Sites Deferred to RCRA

FROM: Joseph Dufficy
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TO: SITE FILES

This memo is to memorialize the lead decisions for those sites that the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) identified in the March 1999 report, entitled "Superfund Sites Deferred to RCRA." The OIG audit recommended that Superfund reevaluate all deferred sites not in the RCRA corrective action workload to determine the best legal authority to address the sites, and any response actions necessary in order to improve communication between the programs. The OIG also recommended that the two programs should reach agreement on which program will take lead responsibility for each of the sites by the end of calendar year 2000.

The OIG lists for Region 5 included (493 sites) 'Sites Subject to Corrective Action', and (184 sites) 'RCRA Handlers' that may not be subject to corrective action. These two lists (attached) have been reviewed by both programs and are identified with one of the three Special Initiative flags. For those sites that have been scored under the RCRA NCAPS model, they are noted as RCRA Deferral - Lead Confirmed. For those sites to be addressed under Superfund, they are identified on the attached lists as RCRA Deferral - New Decision or RCRA Deferral - Further Assessment. All sites requiring reassessments by Superfund will have findings provided to RCRA for their information.

Attachments (2) *

cc: State Site Assessment Contacts
EAPMs

* FOR ATTACHMENTS PLEASE REFER to the following two SITE FILES:

AKZO COATINGS INC. 12D006390553

AG COMMUNICATION Sys. 12D005070545